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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement, mailed October 3, 2002,
Applicant elects, Group IV, claims 50-52 drawn to a method of producing a
transgenic plant by introducing a SATAC into a pl plant cell, with traverse, for
examination on the merits.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-49, 53, 54, 62-64, 68-71 and 73 without
prejudice or disclaimer.

*claims 74 and 75
not present*
Please amend claims 50 and 58 as follows. add claims 74 and 75 as
follows:

50. (Amended) A method for producing a transgenic plant, comprising
introducing a satellite artificial chromosome (SATAC) into a plant
protoplast; and
growing the protoplast cell under conditions to produce a transgenic
plant.